

St. Agnes Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Minutes of the June 15th Meeting

Members Present: Donna Eby, John King, Jim Eros, Maury James, Barbara McDonald, Fr. T. Mathew Rough, Julie Wilberding, and Stacey Hobbs

Opening Prayer: Led by Father Mat

Minutes from the May 18th meeting: Reviewed by those in attendance. Three corrections were made and the minutes were subsequently submitted for record.

News from the Pews: This segment of the meeting was explained to those members who were new to the council.

Youth Ministry: It was noted that we are still in need of a youth representative. The council will reach out to Bridgitte Schmidt for recommendations. The Shepherdstown Ministerial Association High School Banquet is scheduled for October 23, 2016, from 5 PM – 7 PM. It will be held at the SU Wellness Center. This is a gathering for local high school students to hear from adults who attended college. Career pathways are discussed. They are in need of 6 speakers.

Shepherdstown Ministerial Association: September 27th is the next meeting. Father Mat needs a representative to attend with him.

Parish Survey: Maury provided an overview of the goals for the new members encouraging all members to become familiar with the goals. Members assumed ownership of the individual goals as follows:

Member	Additional Roles
Donna Eby	Goal # 4
Jim Eros	Goal # 3
Stacey Hobbs	Goal # 2
Maury James	Facilitator
John King	Goal # 5
Barbara McDonald	Goal # 4
Tom Ruhf	Goal # 6
Julie Wilberding	Goal # 1

Each member will work to establish a committee or work group to progress toward achievement of the objectives under each goal. It was agreed that each group has the ability to determine how formal (or informal) they choose to make their work sessions. It is also understood that each group will strive to achieve progress but as each of these goals will be ongoing, it may be a future parish representative who will become responsible for that goal when said member's term is expired. It was reiterated that council members will serve as encouragers / facilitators and are not expected to be solely responsible for all work toward goal attainment.

Additionally, it was established that the council will have Pastoral Council workshop meetings one week prior to our scheduled Pastoral Council business meeting each month. The first workshop meeting will be Wednesday, August 10, at 6:30 PM in the parish center. The primary purpose of the meeting is to set the agenda for our Business meeting. This will give each member the opportunity to discuss openly their interactions with members of Saint Agnes since

our last meeting and what they are planning to report at the Business meeting. The intent of the workshop meetings will be to have more efficient Business meetings.

Parish Directory: Tabled until further notice.

Items of Information:

Members discussed the benefits of extending invitations to staff members to attend upcoming meetings. This would provide the council an opportunity to better understand the roles of each staff members and determine how we may be of assistance to the parish staff.

Pastoral Council Leadership was determined as follows:

 Presider: Fr. Mat

 Convener / Facilitator: Maurice James

 Recorder: John King

 Spiritual Formation: Julie Wilberding

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Council engaged in a Closing Prayer

Next Meeting: September 21, 2016

Minutes respectfully submitted for review by Stacey Hobbs